



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE

**FINAL  
COMMUNITY APPEARANCE BOARD MEETING  
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VIRTUAL MEETING  
OCTOBER 13, 2021 – 5:30 P.M.**

**Board Member**

**Attendance**

Ed Murphy, Chair  
Stephanie Tonsfeldt, Vice Chair  
Lorrain O'Neil  
Joseph Piccolo (until 6:02 p.m.)  
Michael Rigg  
Paul Robinson  
Beth Shaw  
Jason Silver  
Shirley Smith  
Miguel Wright (at 5:46 p.m.)  
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**Staff Attending**

Safeea Ali, Staff Liaison  
Anthea Thomas, Strategic Communications Specialist  
Mauricio Baquero, City Moderator  
Crysta Parkinson, Prototype Inc. Recording Secretary

**Communications to the City Commission**

None

**I. Call to Order/Roll Call**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Ed Murphy at 5:30 p.m. Roll was called, and it was determined a quorum was present.

**II. Approval of Minutes**

Mr. Rigg noted an amendment to a paragraph under item V in the September 15 minutes.

**Motion** made by Chair Murphy, seconded by Ms. Smith, to approve the minutes of the September 15, 2021 meeting as amended. In a voice vote, the **motion** passed unanimously.

### III. WOW Award Nominations

Safeea Ali, Staff Liaison, explained the award to June Garren Whitney was scheduled for Wednesday, October 20 at 4:30 p.m. She stated Commissioner Sorenson wanted to go to the home and the applicant agreed. Ms. Ali invited any interested Board members to attend. She noted she would send out an email with the details.

Ms. Ali stated there were no new applications submitted since the last meeting.

Mr. Rigg asked for clarification on the nomination process. Ms. Ali explained. She noted if the Board member sent an introduction email to her and the nominee, she would coordinate with the Commission as to a date.

Discussion ensued as to the added flexibility of offering the option of having recognitions in the winners' homes, rather than exclusively at Commission meetings held twice a month.

Anthea Thomas, Strategic Communications Specialist, introduced herself and discussed her new position with the City.

Mr. Wright joined the meeting at 5:46 p.m.

Chair Murphy challenged the Board to bring forward additional applications for review at future meetings.

Vice Chair Tonsfeldt asked for a follow-up on an application for Terry Deloney. She noted the was supposed to be recognized in June. Ms. Ali asked that Vice Chair Tonsfeldt send her an email following the meeting.

Mr. Wright shared a nomination for a District 2 home at 1206 NW 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue and discussed the renovations which were done at the home. He stated the home was previously condemned, and it was now beautiful to look at after being completely gutted.

**Motion** made by Mr. Piccolo, seconded by Mr. Wright, to approve the nomination of the home at 1206 NW 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue for the WOW award. In a voice vote, the **motion** passed unanimously.

Ms. Thomas discussed sharing before and after photos on social media to encourage involvement and attempt to boost the membership of the Board.

Mr. Piccolo provided a brief update on the WOW awards for 2021 to date, noting one (2) nomination was needed for District 2 and two (2) nominations for District 3.

Mr. Piccolo left the meeting at 6:02 p.m.

Chair Murphy asked how the district requirements were set and asked if they were limiting themselves. Discussion ensued as to whether the caps and district restrictions were necessary, and what districts were represented on the Board.

#### **IV. Review of Community Appearance Award Categories**

Ms. Ali stated the Board had previously discussed the categories for nomination to the annual awards hosted by the Community Appearance Board and shared the 2019 application. She noted these awards were in addition to the WOW Awards.

Vice Chair Tonsfeldt suggested removing the mid-rise category from commercial and multi-family. Discussion ensued regarding restricting the categories to two (2) per area.

Mr. Wright asked for clarification on how the categories were determined, referencing national standards. Ms. Ali stated she did not know the history but could look into it. She suggested it may have been created by the Building Department.

Ms. Ali shared the nominations and winners from the 2019 awards. Discussion ensued regarding how City-owned projects should be categorized. Consensus was to maintain municipal projects in one (1) category, competing against one another.

**Motion** made by Mr. Rigg, seconded by Ms. Smith, to approve changes to the categories of the annual awards as listed below. In a voice vote, the **motion** passed unanimously.

- Amend commercial and multi-family sections to be two (2) categories instead of three (3) categories:
  - Low-rise – five (5) stories or less
  - Mid-rise/High-rise – six (6) stories or more
- Amend single-family home section to be two (2) categories instead of three (3) categories:
  - 2,500 square feet or less
  - 2,501 square feet or more
- Maintain municipal projects in one (1) category

#### **V. Old/New Business**

None.

#### **VI. Adjourn**

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjourned at 6:28 p.m. The next Regular Meeting of the CAB is scheduled for November 10, 2021, at 5:30 p.m.